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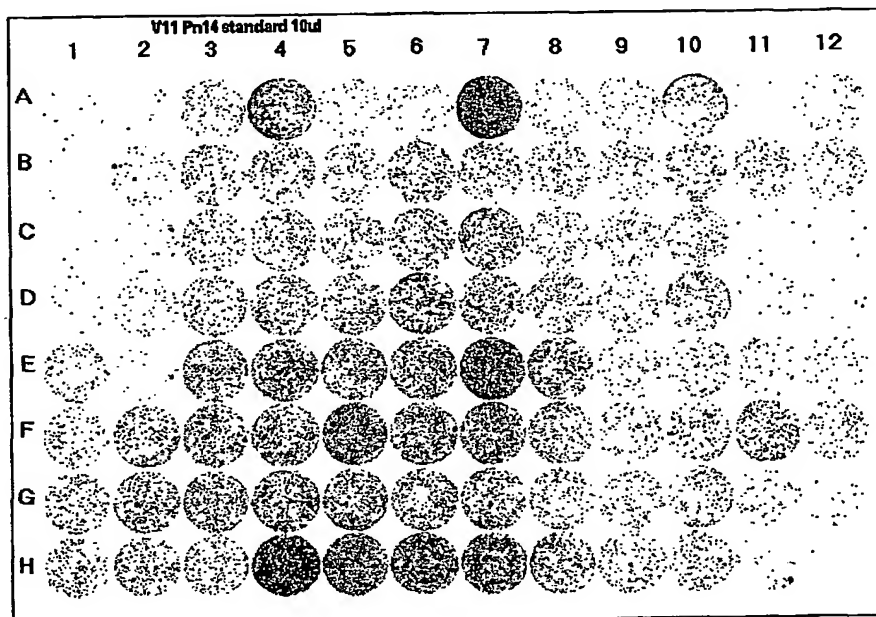
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(57) Abstract: A novel method is provided, for use within serological or screening assays, wherein microbial colonies are grown on filter membranes in multi-well plates. This process enables the colonies to be stained, imaged, and counted automatically using such automated systems as, *e.g.*, computer and video-based imaging systems.

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